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MRS. WILLIAM S. RAINSFORD.

She is a Trustee of the Public Schools in New York.

The broad views, brilliant oratory, and altogether prominent personality of the Rev. Dr. William S. Rainsford would make the appointment of his wife to the place of Trustee of Common Schools in New York a matter of interest, but Mrs. Rainsford has claims to fame quite separate from her distinguished husband. She has long been that best sort of student of educational matters—the loving and practical one, and has grown more and more interested in the theme of mental training which our public school system offers. She was one of the signers of the memorial recently circulated and presented to the Board of Education, asking that, as vacancies should occur in the various wards, two out of the five trustees allowed for each wardshould be women, being a firm advocate of men and women working side by side wherever possible. This, she thinks, insures the most satisfactory advance. nsures the most satisfactory advance

and best results.

Mrs. Rainsford is of English birth, according to Harper's Bazar, and married Dr. Rainsford in London sixteen years ago, sailing with him for Canada, where they spent four years. Twelve years ago they came to New York.



MRS. WILLIAM S. BAINSFORD.

Mrs. Rainsford was the only woman to offer to fill the vacancy in her ward on the School Board of Trustees, this fact, as well as her ap-Trustees, this fact, as well as her appointment, being a surprise to her. She has made a close study of kindergarten work, in which she is a firm believer. Concerning our present system of public schools, she finds much to admire; many of the schools are excellent, but she believes there exists from for improvement in exists room for improvement in others.

Her appointment places in office s woman of just the sort that is need-ed. Mrs. Rainsford is not radical, but progressive; she understands the subject and enters upon her duties with a desire to co-operate with her associates in all endeavors to sustain present good conditions or to earnestly aid any new plans that may seem advisable. In one point Mrs. Rainsford sets an admirable example to other women; she has always been in close touch with the schools attended by her three boys. She has kept herself informed boys. She has kept herself informed of what was going on by sitting, ses-sion after session, in the school-room, weighing the good and bad features of what happened there, and lending her influence and assistance to carry out any suggestion she discussed or made.

A Cobbier's! Metamorphosis.

Seated in the corridor of the Fifth Avenue Hotel for the past week has been a rugged faced old man, who has never appeared to know anybody, but who appeared to be perfectly

happy.

He is a Harlem cobbler, John S. Gregory, a hard worker and the cus-todian of the soles of half the neighborhood. All the money that come his way during the year he holds on his way during the year he holds on to with such peristency that he is regarded in the neighborhood as a miser. But the old man has ideas, the nature of which is altogether un-suspected by those with whom he associates. As each day closes he counts the day's gains and smiles as he runs his fingers through the Gal-way whiskers which nurses his throat like a muffler. He hugs his secret and chuckles when he hears secret and chuckles when he hears that his neighbors call him "close"

and miserly.

Then, suddenly, he disappears for two weeks in March. He has done so at the same time of the year for a decade, and nobody has had any idea what has become of him, although the supposition, which gains general credence in the vicinity, is that he goes to visit relatives.

Mr. Gregory simply purchases a suit of broadcloth, in keeping with his age, shoes and hat to match, and proceeds downtown. He registers at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, where he remains for two weeks. He has his shoes shined every morning, tips the man for brushing him off, and then, with a toothpick in his mouth, he promenades the corridor with his chest thrown out, feeling that he is just as good as any other man. As he rubs elbows with celebrated men and politicians he chuckles to himself. He even stands out upon the front sidewalk and ogles pretty

women and girls.

At the end of his two weeks' so-journ he pays his bill, perfectly sat-isfied, and goes back to his bench, where he cobbles shoes for another

The Year of the Wolves.

During the severe weather, which lasted so long this year, wolves have been making their appearance in great numbers. They have been seen in Brittany wandering about separately and in bands over regions which hitherto they had not dared to approach, and in some districts they were intrepid enough to enter the farmyards, and actually terrorized the inhabitants. Not far from the forest of Hunnarday, a farmer was at forest of Hunanday a farmer was at-tacked by one of these famishing beasts, and only secured an escape by means of a dagger which he fortu-

Small sizes of dressy fans are seen | 28-35 Cooper St., Cor. Fullertes Av., Chicago.

The Great Hereley Warehouse. The Hereley Brothers Commission Company have reopened their great warehouse at 428 to 448 North Halsted street, and have sent out the following circular in connection

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that if you do not buy your feed at our ware-house you are unaware of the benefits you can derive by so doing.

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and situated on the C., M. & St. P. R. B. tracks, where we have our ewn private track and receive all our goods direct to our warehouse. This is a great advantage, as it saves the expense of hauling, which is quite an item.

We have constructed, in addition to our warehouse, the latest improved grain elevator system, which unloads, elevator and conveys, by machinery, all our grain from ears on our track direct to our elevator, without rehandling. This is a great labor saving, and addagreatly to the value of grain, as all grain pacees through our grain eleaner, which frees it from all dust and shaff, and leaves it perfectly clean.

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